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1. THERE APPEARS SOLID EVIDENCE THAT LDC'S WILL PRESS FOR FULL TREATMENT OF PARA 3 GA RES 3087 IN UNIDO II PREPARATIONS. WHILE WE ARE CERTAINLY NOT SANGUINE OVER CHANCES OF PRODUCING PRACTICAL AND BALANCED SET OF PRINCIPLES, WE BELIEVE THERE BETTER CHANCE TO GET POSITIVE RESULTS IF GROUP B COUNTRIES TAKE SOME INITIATIVE.

2. WE BELIEVE BEST APPROACH WOULD BE FOR GROUP B TO ATTEMPT HAMMER OUT UNIFIED POSITION RATHER THAN RELY ON SECRETARIAT DOCUMENT, WHICH WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE SLANTED IN FAVOR LDC POSITIONS, AS BASIS FOR DISCUSSION WITH OTHER GROUPS. SUGGEST THAT KURTH'S DRAFT, SUPPLIED US IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONFIDENCE, MIGHT SERVE AS GOOD BASIS FOR GROUP B DIS-

CUSSIONS AND THAT YOU SOUND OUT FRG MISSION IN THIS REGARD BEFORE APRIL 1 GROUP B MEETING IF YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION. THIS COURSE MIGHT PERMIT GROUP B TO ARRIVE AT COMMON POSITION IN TIME FOR IDB VIII. OF COURSE, REALIZE YOU MIGHT HAVE CLEARER INDICATION OF LDC STANCE THIS ISSUE AFTER MARCH 18 SESSION OF INTERSESSIONAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON UNIDO II PREPARATIONS.

3. RE ISSUE OF ADMINISTRATIVE AUTONOMY, DEPT BELIEVES YOU CORRECT IN CONTINUING HOLD TO GROUP B POSITION REFLECTED IN FINAL REPORT OF AD HOC COMMITTEE, NAMELY, THAT IT PREMATURE TO GO INTO DETAILS OF THIS BROAD ISSUE. YOU REQUESTED URGE OTHER GROUP MEMBERS TO HOLD LINE AS WELL. WE BELIEVE THAT ANY ACTION ON THIS ISSUE AT UPCOMING IDB WOULD PREJUDICE REPORT SYG MANDATED TO DO BY 28TH GA, ON BASIS IDB DECISION II(VII), WHICH WILL BE DISCUSSED BY BOTH 2ND AND 5TH COMMITTEES AT 29TH GA. ALSO, SYG'S REPORT WILL BE ABLE PUT ISSUE IN PERSPECTIVE OF WHOLE UN SYSTEM RATHER THAN LOOK AT IT SOLELY FROM UNIDO VIEWPOINT. WE WILL BE READY DISCUSS AUTONOMY ISSUE ON BASIS OF SYG'S REPORT AND BELIEVE PROPER FORUM FOR SUCH DISCUSSION WOULD BE UNIDO II. INCIDENTLY, PAPER PREPARED BY FRG REP UNGERER, RECOMMENDING SPECIALIZED AGENCY STATUS FOR UNIDO, IS UNCONVINCING WITH CERTAIN OF ITS BASIC ASSUMPTIONS TOTALLY UNREALISTIC.

4. THUS, DEPT AGREES WITH TACTICS PROPOSED BY MISSION IN PARA 4, REFTTEL A, AND SUGGESTS TRYING TO COORDINATE WITH FRG IN ATTEMPT GET OTHER GROUP B MEMBERS ON BOARD.

5. BELGIAN REP DE LIEDKERKE ENTIRELY ACCEPTABLE AS GROUP B CHAIRMAN FOR UPCOMING PC AND IDB SESSIONS. KISSINGER

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